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City of Indianapolis Celebrates National Public Works Week

City and neighborhood leaders invited to experience DPW firsthand May 18-22

INDIANAPOLIS – In an effort to recognize the thousands of public works professionals across the country, the Department of Public Works (DPW) is planning a weeklong celebration starting Monday, May 18.

WHO: DPW, city and neighborhood leaders, media

WHAT: National Public Works Week, “Walk a Mile in My Shoes”

WHEN: May 18-22, 2009

MISC: Registration is required one day before each event for city and neighborhood leaders. **E-mail Imelda Oglesby at ioglesby@indygov.org to register.** Media registration is not required.

DPW is providing transportation to each event. The pickup and drop-off location for the buses will be 1200 S. Madison Ave. Pickup is scheduled for half an hour before the start of each event.

The media should contact the DPW PIOs to learn the specific locations for each event.

- **Monday, May 18**
Finish Concrete on a Curb/Sidewalk
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Learn how DPW maintains city infrastructure and repairs curbs and sidewalks.

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- **Tuesday, May 19**

National Public Works Week Celebration

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

The Solid Waste Building at 2700 S. Belmont Ave. – look for DPW signage

Mayor Greg Ballard

DPW Director David Sherman

The Mayor will make a much anticipated announcement regarding the city's fleet.

Fix a Pothole

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Learn how DPW improves city roads and how potholes are cleaned and filled.

- **Wednesday, May 20**

Throwing Trash

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

See firsthand what happens to the trash you set out at home.

- **Thursday, May 21**

Belmont Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour

9:30- 11:30 a.m.

Learn about one of the city's two advanced wastewater treatment plants and what happens to your wastewater between leaving your home and re-entering our waterways.

Covanta Energy Tour

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Learn how the city's solid waste is converted into clean, renewable energy.

- **Friday, May 22**

Day-in-the-Life of a Project Manager*

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The Training Center at 2700 S. Belmont Ave. – look for DPW signage

**This event is only open to DPW personnel.*

The American Public Works Association sponsors National Public Works Week.

